

Revenue perfins can be topical too

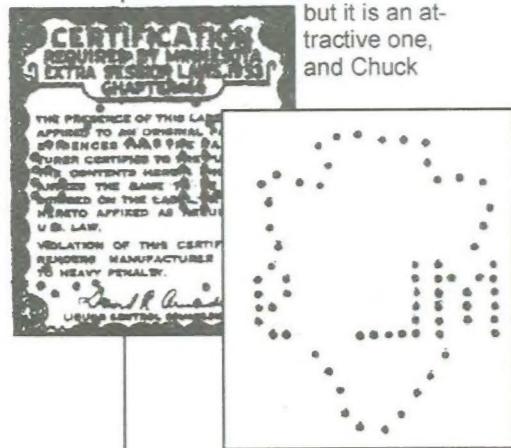
Certain symbols are associated with particular sections of the country: Boston baked beans, Philadelphia scrapple, and Coney Island hot dogs, are a few examples. Hiawatha, once potential food for a huge fish, has a Minnesota connection.

In Longfellow's poem, we find a description of how Iago, friend of Nokomis, cut an oak branch and made arrows for Hiawatha "tipped with flint, and winged with feathers."

In the accompanying illustration, we easily recognize the arrowhead used in the design of the Minnesota Liquor Control Commission perfins. The northeast section of the state is called "Arrowhead" because of the configuration of the land bordering Lake Superior.

We may never know what determined the use of the arrowhead in the perfins design,

but it is an attractive one, and Chuck



Spaulding will require a larger than usual space for the illustration in the new U.S. Revenue Perfins Catalog. Many large and unusual perfins can be found on state revenue stamps.

Hopefully members will report the patterns in their collections to Spaulding as work on the catalog progresses.

—Robert J. Schwerdt #505L

If you have revenue perfins that should be in the new catalog, contact Chuck Spaulding at the address on the back page of this issue.